



## Dr. William Roy Blakeney

March 26, 1938 - October 22, 2015

Funeral services for Dr. William Roy "Bill" Blakeney, 77, will be held at 3:00 pm Sunday, October 25, 2015 at Wesley United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Fran Elrod will officiate with a private burial in Magnolia Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm on Sunday in the All Saints Hall. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family.

Bill was born March 26, 1938 in Hartsville, SC. The son of Lee Roy and Elizabeth Gay Blakeney, Bill attended Hartsville High School. He obtained a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Clemson University and Master and Doctorate degrees from the Institute of Paper Science and Technology.

Bill was very active in his community, serving in the Jaycees, Rotary Club, Boy Scouts (Scout Master), Darlington County Library Board, Byerly Hospital (Chairman of the Board of Trustees), the Free Medical Clinic and the Billie Hardee Home for Boys. Bill's love for others and his heart for caring were demonstrated most passionately through his service to his church. He served in numerous roles, with his favorite being as a Sunday school teacher. Bill was also active with the Gideons, distributing Bibles and witnessing to inmates on a regular basis. Bill was very proud of his family and felt extremely blessed by their love.

Bill is survived by his best friend and wife of 58 years, Elizabeth "Beth" Blakeney; his children, Roy Blakeney (Cindy) of Columbia and David Blakeney (Susan) of Mystic, CT; sister, Ann Gay Duvall of Aiken, SC; four grandchildren, Daniel Blakeney (Joanne), Carrie Latham (Aaron), Shelley Walls (Brandon), and David Blakeney Jr.; and three great-grandchildren, Lilly Blakeney, Bentley Walls, and Leeds Latham (due Dec. 2015).

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Hartsville Soup Kitchen, 145 E College Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550 or to the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Magnolia Cemetery

140 South Cedar Lane  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 383-3004

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **25**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Wesley United Methodist Church  
145 E. College Ave.  
Hartsville, SC 29550

## Service

OCT **25**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Wesley United Methodist Church  
145 E. College Ave.  
Hartsville, SC 29550

# Tribute Wall

GF

“ *Ann Gay & Family, Our thoughts & prayers are with you & your family, always. You are a part of my heart. Love, Gloria & Tommy Fore, Quinby UMC.*



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**Gloria Fore** - October 28, 2015 at 07:20 AM

GO

“ *DAVID, I AM SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR DAD'S PASSING. GOT YOU AND THE FAMILY IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.*

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**GRADY O'NEAL** - October 26, 2015 at 05:59 PM

LG

“ *Lana Greve lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Lana Greve** - October 26, 2015 at 12:25 PM

PJ

“ *Pat James lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Pat James** - October 26, 2015 at 07:55 AM

GJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Nothing can prepare you for your loss, but take comfort in knowing that he is now resting in the arms of our Lord. We wish we could have come to be with you at this time.

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**Garland W. Duvall, Jr.** - October 26, 2015 at 07:15 AM

BT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Barbara and Larry Tanner*

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**Barbara Tanner** - October 25, 2015 at 12:33 PM

DY

“ Dick Yount lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney



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**Dick Yount** - October 25, 2015 at 11:25 AM

SH

“ My thoughts for the family.  
*Sharon Shirley Howle*



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**sharon howle** - October 25, 2015 at 07:37 AM

FS

“ *Frances Hoffman Steen lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Frances Hoffman Steen** - October 23, 2015 at 07:59 PM

PS

“ *Pam & Jerry Sansbury lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Pam & Jerry Sansbury** - October 23, 2015 at 06:58 PM

JC

“ *Jim And Jeri Cox lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Jim and Jeri Cox** - October 23, 2015 at 03:13 PM

GR

“ *Gregory Rogers lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Gregory Rogers** - October 23, 2015 at 02:57 PM

JW

“ *Jewel Walters Gibson /Krystal Weekley lit a candle in memory of Dr. William Roy Blakeney*



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**Jewel Walters Gibson /Krystal Weekley** - October 22, 2015 at 03:25 PM

KJ

“ *Dr. Blakeney was such a fine man. His friendship and loyalty meant so much to our family through the years. I know he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family members in their time of grief when they must adjust to being without a devoted husband and father. Bill certainly set a high standard for those of us who remain behind. May we all live up to the example set in his time here on earth.*

*Ken Krueger Jr.*

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**Kenneth Krueger Jr** - October 22, 2015 at 02:58 PM

AB

*I have known and loved Bill since we were children and worked with and for him at Sonoco. Bill was a great friend and mentor with a wonderful sense of humor. We used to pick at each other about Clemson orange and Tar Heel blue all the time. I was once in his office at a meeting and I had a bad case of hay fever. Bill asked what the heck was wrong with me and I shot back "it's all this darn orange!" I will truly miss Dr. Bill we was a wonderful man and friend. Archie Biggs*

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**Archie Biggs** - October 22, 2015 at 03:37 PM

TC

*To Beth and family, Carole and I offer our condolences. Bill's passing leaves a big hole in our hearts and lives, but he will live on in our memories. In the fifteen years I have lived in Hartsville, Bill and I had become dear friends. We played bridge regularly for the last thirteen years and enjoyed many discussions and debates on Tuesday afternoons with John Davis. Bill was a man of great wisdom and impeccable integrity. He even forgave me for my allegiance to USC and the Gamecocks. I will forever miss him.*

*To Bill, I am honored that you asked me to be a part of the celebration of your life. It is my pleasure. You have been a wonderful friend and the older brother I always wanted but never had. Now cradle yourself in the loving arms of Jesus where you will find peace and love for eternity.*  
*Tom Croft*

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**Tom Croft** - October 23, 2015 at 12:46 PM

NW

*We are thinking of you all at this sad time and send our love,*  
*Nancy and Budgy Wilhelm*

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**Nancy Wilhelm** - October 23, 2015 at 06:06 PM

RS

*I am going to miss Bill tremendously. I have only known him for a few years, but they were great years. I know his family will miss him greatly as will all who knew him. Dick Swallow*

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**Richard Swallow** - October 24, 2015 at 08:15 AM

LS

*Dear Beth and family I'm so sorry for your loss, sending prayers to you all at this most difficult time*

*Linda Stacy*

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**Linda Stacy** - October 25, 2015 at 02:34 PM

MD

*Beth and family, our prayers and thoughts are with you in your time of sorrow. No words are adequate at a time like this. I have fond memories of Bill from our high school days. We had a special class and grew up in a good time in history. May all the years and memories you shared bring you comfort and peace in the many days and years ahead. God Bless you all.*

*Marlene Collins Dalrymple (classmate) and Murray Dalrymple.*

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**Marlene Collins Dalrymple** - October 26, 2015 at 03:08 PM